

HAMPDEN TOWN COUNCIL WORKSHOP HAMPDEN MUNICIPAL BUILDING MINUTES

MONDAY SEPTEMBER 13, 2021 6:00 P.M.

In Attendance:

Councilor Eric Jarvi
Councilor Mark Cormier
Councilor Ivan McPike
Councilor Allen Esposito, Remotely
Councilor Peter Erickson
Councilor Christine Cubberley

Paula Scott, Town Manager Gayle C. Decker, Town Clerk Clifton Ilver, Town Planner Members of the Public

A. CALL TO ORDER

Deputy Mayor Jarvi called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

- B. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
- C. NEW BUSINESS
 - a. Council discussion on Transfer Station Committee and Staff recommendations.

Public Safety Director Victor Smith thanked Committee Members and gave an overview of recommendations for the Transfer Station discussed at meetings held with Committee Members and staff. Referred to the next Council Meeting.

b. Council discussion regarding the status of the Manning Mill and Sawyer Road Bridges.

Public Safety Director Victor Smith spoke with an overview of the status of Manning Mill and Sawyer Road Bridges. Council recommendation to staff moving forward is to proceed with maximizing the use of both bridges initially utilizing the bond and then coming back to Council with a budget for the unfinished work in our next budget year.

c. Council policy directive on the ARPA (American Recovery Plan Act) funds.

Town Manager Scott spoke on the ARPA (American Recovery Plan Act) funds. We are set to receive the first 50% of the funds. She reminded that there are certain items that we are allowed to use these funds for and would like Council direction on where they would like to apply the funds and on what initiatives. Council would like Staff to tell them where they would best like the funds to go, to prioritize. Other items discussed was to see if there's any opportunities that can be potentially pursued with adjacent communities for a greater impact and for sewer upgrades

Note: Council will take a five-minute recess at 8:00 p.m.

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d. Council discussion on hunting on town owned land. (added to the Agenda at meeting)

Town Manager Scott informed that the parcel of land that was deeded over to Whitmore last year, out on the Canaan Road, needs to be removed from town owned public land and the town maps for hunting on town property needed to be updated. She also spoke of a parcel of town owned land on Silver Drift that has become a concern for citizens. It is open space that bow hunting is allowed on and that we may want to revisit allowing bow hunting on this narrow strip of land. Council decision is that this is the Town Manager's decision.

D. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 7:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Gayle C. Decker, Town Clerk